

Challenges of Project Management sketch

This sketch was a response to what we observed at sessions regarding the current state of project management at NASA.

As the Center boat moves toward its future goal of being a "World-Class Management Institution," both internal obstacles and internal challenges make the going rough. The PM asks questions about his role and responsibilities under the new sail that may replace "faster, better, cheaper." Meanwhile, team members question the PM and those "not on board" fight for funds and control of the boat.

How this could be used

With a series of targeted questions (including those on the sketch), this could be used to discuss the typical journey of today's Project Managers. Participants could discuss: What are the obstacles in our way? Who fights us for funds? Are we still subscribing to "faster, better, cheaper"? What do we mean by "world-class management"?